THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI KAILASH MEGHWAL): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Educational and economic development of minorities in U.P.

†2354. SHRI MUNAVVAR HASAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to prepare a comprehensive plan for the educational and economic development of the minorities in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI NAGMANI): (a) and (c) No, Sir. For educational and economic development of minorities, there are several schemes of the government which are being implemented throughout the country including the State of Uttar Pradesh. Area Intensive & Madrasa Modernisation Programme of Ministry of Human Resource Development, Pre-examination Coaching Scheme of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, and educational schemes of Maulana Azad Education Foundation and Central Wakf Council are being implemented for educational development of minorities. For economic development of minorities, the National Minorities Development & Finance Corporation, a PSU under aegis of the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Provides concessional loans to persons of minority community for establishing self-employment ventures.

Jobs for disabled persons

2355. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that inspite of various laws on the subject of reserving quotas for disabled people, physically handicapped people continue to face a hard struggle to find jobs in corporate India; and

(b) if so, the action taken to ensure that justice is done to these persons?

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.